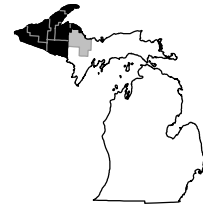




State Representative **RICH BROWN** D-110th Representative District



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Committee: Appropriations (Subcommittees: Higher Education (Minority Vice Chair); Natural Resources and Environmental Quality (Minority Vice Chair); Transportation (Minority Vice Chair); Economic Development; Joint Capital Outlay)

Biography: Democrat, of Bessemer; born April 9, 1956; graduated from Wakefield High School; attended Northern Michigan University and Brown Institute of Broadcasting in Minneapolis; wife, Ann Marie; children, Ryan and Emily; worked at WUUN Radio in Marquette, 1977; news director, WUPM Radio in Ironwood; instructor at Trans American School of Broadcasting, 1980-1981; reporter for Ironwood *Daily Globe*, 1983-1984; elected Gogebic County Clerk - Register of Deeds, 1985; former member of the Ironwood-Hurley Rotary Club, President from 1987-1988; appointed to the Gogebic County Community Mental Health Board, served as Chairperson for 11 of the past 12 years; former president of the Michigan Association of County Clerks; named Michigan County Clerk of the Year, 1992; former president of the United County Officers Association of Michigan; president of the Great Lakes Rural Mental Health Association, 1996-2000; awarded the Oreste Chiantello Distinguished Public Service Award in 1998 by the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region; elected President of the Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards, 2000; Drum Major (conductor) of Marty's Goldenaires Senior Drum and Bugle Corps of Bessemer; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000.

